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he that buildeth his stories in the but that he could have made the whe heaven." Preceding the sermon the of worlds of which the sun and moo The heavens declare thy glory, Lord, -In every star thy wisdom shines, -

at night he got watening the beavons of silver, and turrets and domes of silver rising into the immensities, and the that cessation of stellar and lunar travel. prophet's sauctified imagination walks. Here is my watch. I could not make a through that great silver palace of they watch if I tried, but I can stop it and universe, through the first story, through start it again, the second story, through the third My difficult story, through the twentieth story, through the hundredth story, through but that he could make them at all as he God'is the architect and carpenter and

mason of all that upheaved splendor, he cries out in the words of the text, "It is

he that buildeth his stories in the

THE ELEVATING SCIENCES. My hearers, it is time that we widened out and heightened our religious thoughts. In our pulpits and Sabbath classes and Christian work of all sorts we ring the changes on a few verses of Scripture until they excite no interest. Many of the best parts of the Bible have never yet been preached from or indeed even noticed. Hence I today begin a sed ries of sermons, not for consecutive Sabbath mornings, but as often as I think it-God among the birds; the ichthyology the orchards; the precious stones of the Bible, or God among the amethysts; the when he calls, I warrant they come. conchology of the Bible, or God among burning on infinite altars. Those light the shells; the botany of the Bible, or God among the flowers; the chronology hands and weights and pendulum of the

Astronomy was born in Chaldea. Its same time overwhelms me, is that those mother was astrology, or the science of foretelling events by juxtaposition of stars. The orientals, living much out of doors and in a very clear atmosphere, think it only extends across this chip of through which the stars shone especially lustrous, got the habit of studying the right heavens. In the hot seasons caraworld being inhabited as human guessvans journeyed chiefly at night, and that work? Read Isaiah, forty-fifth chapgave travelers much opportunity of ster- ter, eighteenth verse, "Thus saith the her information. On the first page of the Bible the sun and moon and stars himself that formed the earth and roll in. The sun, a body nearly three made it; he hath established it, he million miles in circumference and more created it not in vain, he formed it than twelve thousand times as large as to be inhabited." Now, if he inhabited our earth; the moon, more than two the earth so that it would not be created thousand miles in diameter.

such an omnipotent scale that he takes have them inhabited? Speaking of the only one verse to tell of this stellar and inhabitants of this world, he says, "The lunar manufacture. Yea, in three words nations are as the drop of a bucket." hang the celestial upholstery that the to rule the day and the lesser light to

rule the night. The stars also!" Astronomers have been trying to call the roll of them ever since, and they have counted multitudes of them passing in review before the observatories built at vast expense, and the size and number of those heavenly bodies have taxed to the utmost the scientists of all ages. Eut God finishes all he has to say about them in three words, "The stars That is Mars with its more than fifty-five million square miles, and Venus with its more than one hundred and ninety-one million square miles, and Saturn with its more than nineteen billion square miles, and Jupiter with its more than twenty-four billion square miles, and all the planets of our system of more than seventy-eight billion square miles, and these stars of our system, when compared with the stars of the other systems, as a handful of sand compared with all the Rocky mountains and all the Alps. The stars alsol" For brevity, for ponderosity, for splendor, for suggestiveness, for sublimity piled on sublimity, these words excel all that human speech ever uttered or human imagination ever soared after. "The stars also!" It is put in as you write a postscript - something you thought of afterward, as hardly worth putting into the body of a letter. "The

JOB AND ISAIAH KNEW. Read on in your Bibles, and after while the Bible flashes with the aurora borealis or northern lights, that strange illumination, as mysterious and unde-fined now as when in the book of Job it was written: "Men see not the bright light which is in the clouds. Fair weath er cometh out of the north." While all the nations supposed that the earth was built on a foundation of some sort, and many supposed that it stood on a huge turtle, or some great marine creature Job knew enough of astronomy to say it had no foundation, but was suspended on the invisible arm of the Almighty, declaring that "he hangeth the earth upon nothing." While all nations thought the earth was level, the sky spread over it like a tent over a flat surface, Isaiah

While running your fingers among THE DIVINE SCIENCE. the leaves of your Bible with the astroomical thought in your mind, you see ftwo worlds stop—the sun and the moon. But what does that Christian know about that miracle who does not under stand something of those two lumina-

rant as a Hottentot about the stup ness of that scene in the life of Joshua BROOKLYN, Dec. 18.-Rov. Dr. Tal- The sun over three hundred thousand mage to-day preached the first of the times as heavy as our earth and going promised series of sermons on God in thousands of miles an hour. Think of the natural world as disclosed in the stopping that and starting it again with-The subject chosen for the out the shipwreck of the universe! But initial sermon was, "The Astronomy of I can easily believe it. What confounds the Bible, or God Among the Stars," me is not that he could stop and start the text being from Amos ix, 6, "It is again those two worlds in Joshua's time, great congregation sang Isaac Watts' are only cogs, and keep that wheel rolling for thousands of years-the flywhee

of all eternity. That is first rate poetry from Amos it is not surprising that he can stop it the herdsman. While guarding the first following the first following the many states of the can stop it. verse, which is an express train drawn

My difficulty is not that God could the thousandth story, and realizing that did make them. What pleases me and astounds me more is that each one o the millions of worlds has a God giver name. Only a comparatively small num ber of them have names given them b scientists. If astronomers can give name to a whole constellation or galaxy they think they do well, but God has Inspired David declares of God, "Il telleth the number of the stars; he call eth them all by their names."

They are not orphans that have never been christened. They are not waifs of the night. They are not unknown ships on the high seas of immensity They belong to a family of which God best for variety's sake, on the astronomy of the Bible, or God among the stars; the geology of the Bible, or God among the geology of the Bible, or God among the sinfant worlds and all the adult worlds infant worlds and all the leaves it is the Pather, and as you can your many of the Bible recks; the crnithology of the Bible, or by their first name, and they know it as God among the birds; the ichthyology well as though there were only one child of the Bible, or God among the fishes; the of light in all the divine family. "He pennology of the Bible or God among calleth them all by their names," and

Ch. the stars! Those vestal fires kept houses on the coast of eternity. The of the Lible, or God among the centuries.

The fact is that we have all spent too much time on one story of the great lock of the universe. According to Herschel, the so called fixed stars are massion of God's universe. We need occasionally to go up stairs or down stairs in this mansion; down stairs and in the coller stall, but each one a sun with it; and this whole system with all the other systems rolling on around rome stairs in this mansion; down stairs and in the cellar study the rocks, or up stairs and see God in some of the higher stories and learn the meaning of the text when it says. "It is he that buildeth his authories and believe the standard lines and authories and the country was born in Chaldea. Its

a world which you and I now inhabit. in vain, would be make worlds hundreds But God is used to doing things on and thousands of times larger and not interest the state of t

all the other worlds are thrown in. The record says, "The stars also." It takes as a drop of a bucket, where are the other drops of the backet? Again and again magnetic telegraph or a threshing ma-chine, or to describe a fine painting or statue, but it was so easy for God to sion "hosts of heaven" must mean in habitants of other worlds. The psalmist cries out, "Thy mercy is great above the heavens." If there were no inhabitants above the heavens, what use of any mercy? Again, the Bible exclaims "Thy goodness is great above the heavens." What could be the use of his goodness above the heavens if there were no inhabitants to enjoy it? Again the Bible says, "He has set thy glory above the heavens." And here my text comes in with its idea of a mansion of

many stories, "It is he that buildeth his stories in the heaven." Is it possible that we who live on the ground floor of this many storied building are the only tenants, and that the larger rooms, and the more gorgeously upholstered rooms, and the more bril liantly chandeliered rooms above it are uninhabited? Beside this we are positively told in the Bible that two other worlds are inhabited-the world angelic and the world diabolic. Those two worlds added to our own make it posifive that three worlds are inhabited Why then stop with three worlds of liv ing beings when there are not only mil-lions but billions of worlds? Are they all standing like expensively furnished houses in time of financial panic marked "To Let." and no one to take them? All around us in this world we see economy of omnipotence.

If Christ was going to feed the hun gry seven thousand in the wilderness he made use of the boy's five loaves and two fishes, expending no more of creative power than was needed. "Waste not," God hath written all over this world. And do you suppose that God would waste world material in our solar system to the amount of what has been estimated as seven hundred trillion miles of solid contents, and that only a small part as compared with other system which go to make up this many storied mansion of the text, where it says, "It is he that buildeth his stories in the

Did Professor Herschel and his sister. Catherine, in finding worlds find only worlds uninhabited and a waste? Is Ceres, which Piazzi discovered in 1801, wasted? Is Vesta, that Olbers discovered in 1807, wasted? Is Prosperine, which Professor Luther discovered in 1853, wasted? Is Urania, which Professor declared the world to be globular, cir-Hind discovered in 1854, wasted? cular, saying of God, "He sitteth upon the circle of the earth." See them glitter in the scriptural sky—Arcturus, Orion, Is Pandora, discovered in 1858 by Professor Searle, wasted? Are the the Pleiades and the "Bear with her fifteen thousand stars recorded in one wasted? Is all except the billionth part our word was selected. The stage was

if there were no passengers? his princes and princesses in one hearing all about this world in the aw-comparatively small room? As the ful experiment of sin which the human highest happiness is in making others happiness is in that God In some way interstellar communica-OTHER WORLDS THAN OURS.

are heats or colds that physique like world as ours was chosen for the tragours could not endure. But do you edy. A chemist can demonstrate all the suppose that we have the only kind of laws of earth and heaven in a small must be make all intelligent creatures to the universe the awful chemistry of with our respiration or pulsation or unrighteousness, its explosive and riving mastication or digestion or habitude, or and consuming power. not make them at all? Because organ-

beings. God will not fill them with, phinetary shipwreck. He would certainly put into those worlds beings intelligent enough to appreciate the architecture, the color- tallie mirror was raised which reflected ing, the grandeur, the beauty, the har all that occurred both on land and sea

have capacity of locomotion like ours, ing of her enemies long before their arfor they would not have had such spa- rival. By what process I know not, but cious opportunity for movement if they in some way this ship of a struggling had not powers of motion. -Yea, they earth, I think, is mirrored to distant have sight, else why the light and hear- worlds. Surely this one experiment of ing; else how get on with necessary lau- a world unloosing itself from God will guage and how clear themselves from be enough for all worlds and all eteradvancing perils? Yea, as God made our nities. ably made the inhabitants of other worlds | into the first book of the Bible, the in his own image-in other words, it is book of Genesis, they also appear as near demonstration as I care to have the last book of the Bible, the book of it, that while the inhabitants of other Revelation. They will take part in the ture to the particular climate in which | the earth's winding up and a tremen they dwell, there is yet similarity of mental and spiritual characteristics among all the inhabitants of the universe of God, and made in his image Brook, New Jersey. He was coming

they are made wonderfully alike. to enlarge our ideas of God and so in-the night of the 12th and the morning of Under such semi-direction, which more graphic the Bible question, which clear. Suddenly the whole heavens beseems to roll back the sleeve of the Al- came a scene never to be forgotten. mighty and say, "Hast thou an arm like From the constellation Leo meteors be made all these worlds and populated the morning it was estimated that a them it will not be very much of an unthousand meteors a minute flashed and dertaking for him to make our little expired. It grew lighter than noonday. world over again and reconstruct the Arrows of fire. Balls of fire. Trails of its normlations as by grace they are to be reconstructed.

SCIENCE AND REVELATION. What a monstrosity of ignorance that works of the Lord are great and to be sought out." How much have you sought them out? You have been satisfying yourself with some things about Christ but have you noticed that Paul calls you to consider Christ as the creator of other | Millions of people fell on their knees in worlds, "by whom also he made the worlds.

Listen to the silvery chime of the midtelescope for alpenstock, leaping from cannon ball. acclivity of light to acclivity of light.

making his last oration. enthusiasm which this moment concer-ters the eyes of many of the most deon all sides by realms of glory, instead of being where Hesiod in his poetry described it to be—namely, half with their hands raised imploring God to

I thank God that we have found out expect to become permanent residents.

ing? I wish reverently to say I think I have found the reason. To keep the universe loyal to a Holy God, it was important in some world somewhere to old earth will go with the lest, and let it

of the universe wasted? My hearers, is plenty large enough for the enactment it possible that God would run such a of the tragedy. Enter on the stage sin, splendid passsenger train of parlor cars | followed by murder, pain, theft, fraud, through the heavens and keep it running impurity, falsehood, massacre, war and all the abominations and horrors and Judging from the extent of the uni- agonies of centuries. Although we know verse, do you think God would put all comparatively little about the other his family on such limits as this world worlds lest we become completely dismarks? If a king have a palace of satisfied with our own, no doubt the one hundred rooms, will be put all other worlds have heard and are now

would occupy larger places than our tion is open, and all worlds, either by small earth with beings capable of wing of flying spirits or by direct comhappiness? Besides this, why all the munication from God, are learning that worlds farthest on and farthest up disloyalty and disobedience doom and covered with light? What is the use damn everything they touch, and the of light if there are no eyes of inhabit-ants to enjoy and employ that light? spectacle practically says to all other worlds: "Obey God, keep holy and stay in the orbit where you were intended to STRANGE EXPERIENCES OF A RE-I admit that scientific exploration has swing, or you will suffer that which that discovered that around many worlds recream world out yonder has been sufthere is an atmosphere in which lungs fering for thousands of years." It is no like ours could not breathe, and there longer to me a mystery why so small a lnngs that God can make? Do our laboratory, ten feet by five, and our bodies exhaust divine ingenuity, and world was not too small to demonstrate

I do not believe that there is a world isms like ours cannot live in Mercury or that has been in existence from the Saturn or Jupiter or the sun we have no time when Copernicus the astronomer right to conclude that those globes are knocked on the door of heaven, to the world that last week came within sight Without any telescope and without of the observatory at Greenwich, but any observatory and without any astro- has heard of our terrific terrestial expernomical calculation, I know that the inent, and the awful object lesson has other worlds are inhabited, because my thrilled the multimillions of stellar pop-Eible and my common sense tell me so. ulation, especially when they heard that It has been estimated that in the worlds | in order to arrest the disaster of centuries belonging to our solar system there is the World Maker and the World Starter room for at least twenty-live trillion of and the World Upholder must give up population. And I believe it is all oc- his only Son to assassination to expiate capied or will be occupied by intelligent and restore and save the victims of the

THE TOWER OF PHAROS. On the tower of Pharos, Egypt, a memony of their surroundings.

Yes, the inhabitrats of those worlds and so Egypt was informed of the comfor a distance of three hundred miles.

worlds have adaptations of bodily struc- scenes of that occasion, which shall be through the night from the legislative Now what should be the practical re- halls, where he was serving his state, to sult of this discussion founded on Scriphis him to him tell about it. It was

The contemplation also en- gan to shoot out in all directions. For fire. Showers of fire. Some of the appearances were larger than the full ma! Willie's dead! Wi moon. All around the heavens explo-sion followed explosion. Sounds as well landed with meteoric display. From horizon to horizon everything in combustion and conflagration.

Many a brain that night gave way. It vas an awful strain on strongest nerves. prayer. Was the world ending, or was here some great event for which all It is time you Christians start on a heaven was illuminated? For eight moworld hunt. That is the chief reason mentous hours the phenomenon lasted. why God makes the night-that you may | East, west, north, south-it looked as see other worlds. Go out tonight and though the heavens were in maniac dislook up at the great clock of the heavens. order. Astronomers watching that night said that those meteors started from night sky. See that your children and 2,200 miles above the earth's surface and grandchildren mount the heavens with moved with ten times the speed of a

The owner of a plantation in South What a beautiful and sublime thing Carolina says of that night scene; "I was that John Quincy Adams, the ex-presi- suddenly awakened by the most distressdent, borne down with years undertook ing cries that ever fell on my ears. at the peril of his life the journey from Shricks of horror and cries of mercy I Washington to Cincinnati that he might could hear from most of the negroes on lay the cornerstone of the pier of the three plantations, amounting in all to great refracting telescope and there about six or eight hundred. While earnestly listening for the cause I heard a What a service for all mankind when faint voice near the door calling my in 1839 Lord Rosse lifted on the lawn of name. I arose, and taking my sword his castle, eighty miles from Dublin, a stood at the door. At this moment 1 telescope that revealed worlds as fast as heard the same voice still beseeching me they could roll in, and that started an to rise, and saying, 'Oh, my God! the world is on fire! I can opened the door, and it is difficult to say which excited vout in all parts of the earth on celestial me most, the awfulness of the scene or discovery. Thank God that we now the distressed cries of the negroes. Upknow where our own world is, bounded ward of one hundred lay prostrate on way between heaven and hell, an anvil save the world and them. The scene hurled out of heaven, taking ten days to was truly awful, for never did rain fall strike the earth, and hurled out of earth, much thicker than the meteors fell totaking ten more days to strike perdition: | ward the earth." But the excitement From the high heaven a brazen anvil cast,
Nine days and nights in rapid whirls would ran among the whites as well as the thus described by the southern planter And reach the earth the tenth; whence strongly hurled.

The same the passage to th' infernal world.

And reach the earth the tenth; whence strongly hurled.

The same the passage to th' infernal world.

The star shower of 1833.

The star shower of 1833.

The spectacle ceased not until the risthat our world is not half way between ing sun of the November morning heaven and hell, but is in a sisterhood eclipsed it, and the whole American naof light, and that this sisterhood joins tion sat down exhausted with the agitaall the other sisterhoods of worlds, mov- tions of a night to be memorable until ing round some great homestead, which the earth itself shall become a falling is no doubt heaven, where God is and star. The Bible closes with such a scene our departed Christian friends are, and of falling lights-not only fidgety metewe ourselves through pardoning mercy ors, but grave old stars. St. John saw it in prospect and wrote, "The stars of with a light of its own. It did not move Furthermore, I get now from all this heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig or beckon. It simply was and then was an answer to the question which every itree casteth her untimely figs when she intelligent man and woman since the is shaken of a mighty wind." What a earth has stood has asked and received time that will be when worlds drop! no answer-why did God let sin and Rain of planets. Gravitation letting sorrow come into the world when he loose her grip on worlds. Constellations could have prevented them from comflying apart. Galaxies dissolved.

demonstrate the gigantic disasters that | go, for it will have existed long enough would come upon any world that allow to complete its tremendous experiment. ed sin to enter. Which world should it be? Well, the smaller the world the betinake a heaven out of, if any more But harden marries mouth retire to become serge as to briefly their time

finding us in Carlet, our nature regen erated, and our sins pardoned, and our hope triumphant, we will feel no more alarm than when in September, passing through an orchard, you bear the apples thump to the ground, or through a conservatory and you hear an untimely fig drop on the floor.

You will only go up stairs into another story, a better lighted story, a better furnished story, a better ventilated story, a better pictured story, and into a story where already many of your kindred are waiting for you, and where prophets and apostles and martyrs will pay you celestial visitation, and where, with a rapture beyond the most radiant anticipation, you shall bow before him that "buildeth his stories in the heaven."

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"There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio"-

It came to the knowledge of a reporter quite by accident that in an eminently respectable house lying between Madison and Fifth avenues, on an emineutly respectable street, a gentleman well known in business circles has repeatedly experienced what may be called, on lack of a better word, visitations. This the reporter learned, while the gentleman was quite unaware of his connection with the press, Thanksgiving evening, when conversation turned on mesmerism and other occult subjects. From talk to experiment the step was easy, when it was discovered that the man in question was an almost perfect "sensitive" to

hypnotic influence. The discovery was probably a surprise to most of those in the room. The man is perhaps forty-five years old, under the edicim height, stout and inclined to baldness, fond of the good things of life. a shrewd business man, yet he was absolutely at the beck and call of an amateur of tolerably developed hypnotic power. When, after some grotesque manifestations, the subject was restored to consciousness, the company, with one accord, pressed him to explain his feeling while under the influence.

"You are asking impossibilities," said the man good humoredly, "for while human race in his own image he prob- But notice that as other worlds rolled in the hypnotic state my waking self is submerged, and I-real I, the ego the metaphysicians—am what is called unconscious, although something that must be a second I, or, alter ego, is obediently active. It is all as great a marvel to me as it can be to any of you. I am not a weak willed man or one easy to influence by ordinary methods, yet I have always been keenly susceptible to

psychic influences." This caused a stir of expectancy in the little company.

"I do not often speak of these things," went on the man after a little pause. "Such a nature as mine must seem unknown as a "sensitive," but I think I am-

safe to speak under this roof. "I can remember when quite a small boy seeing my uncle drive toward the country home where I then lived. While God?" The contemplation also en-courages us with the thought tratif God the two hours between four and six in the two hours between four and six in the was yet far off, and neither face nor the morning it was estimated that a attitude could have borne to me any visual hint, I knew that his son, my consin William, was dead. I ran and sobbed in my mother's lap: 'Oh, maunchided me for my folly, as she believed. In a long two minutes my uncle drove up, looking ashen gray and sad, not to the voices of other worlds, al- All the luminaries of the sky seemed to and the questions my mother would have though the book says, "The heavens declare the glory of God," and again, "The heavens ribbed and interlaced and gar-works of the law and gar-heavens ribbed and interlaced and gar-height the group of God," and again, "The heavens ribbed and interlaced and gar-height the group of God," and gar-height the group of God, and gar-heig more than six years old, and had never heard of occult art of any sort, for ours were old fashioned country folk.

"As I grew up experiences of this kind were more common. I was a stupid, bullet headed fellow in the main, but in this special sense, as I must think it, I was and am extraordinarily gifted. To this I attribute the fact that on three occasions I have seen the ghost of my mother, who died very soon after the incident which I have just related." A stir of incredulity caused a rustle in

the room, and one festive chap whistled

a bar of "Over the Fence Is Out." "Oh, I don't expect you to believe it," resumed the narrator easily. "In a way I don't believe it myself. That is, I can't account for it, and my mind revolts against accepting anything against my reason. Yet I am brought face to face with the fact. Thrice in my mature life, while wide awake, fully clothed and as much in my right mind as I am at this minute. I have seen the shade, ghost or aura of my dead mother, seeming not worn and thin, as I remember her, but young and fairer. And here is the curious part of it. She was clothed as in the days before my birth—there were older children than 1—in a dress which I had never seen or heard described, and of which no picture is in existence. Yet, by my description of the dress as I saw it, my eldest sister recognizes it perfectly." "What did the ghost say to you?"

asked one of the party.
"Nothing. Yet in each case the visit came before some misfortune which was in a sense avertable. It seems to me as if the wraith of my mother was trying ineffectually to warn her favorite and youngest child. The set face, the mournwhen I was alone. The last time my wife was with me. I said nothing to her at the time, not wishing to alarm her. "But she can testify that I was wide awake. The room in which we sat is large, and was at the time lighted only by a well shaded lamp, which left the farther end of the room in semiolise unity. But the figure seemed interpenetrated

An odd Thanksgiving night tale, was it not? "I don't want my business assoclates to suspect me of seeing visions, the gentleman concluded, "but this is my story, and I would like to know what you make of it."-New York Re

The Reason for an Action. "Oh, papa, I know what makes peo-

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ple laugh in their sleeves! "Well, my son, what makes them?"
"Cause that's where their fanny bone